

FW: FPT meeting readout

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Réunion spéciale du Comité fédéral-provincial-territorial (FPT) pour la prévention du crime et la police (CPCP)

- * Séance d'information sur la *Loi sur les mesures d'urgence* (Bureau du Conseil privé, ministère de la Justice, Sécurité publique et Gendarmerie royale du Canada [GRC])
 - o On fournit une explication sur la *Loi sur les mesures d'urgence* (LMU) et la récente déclaration d'état d'urgence par le gouverneur en conseil.
 - o On mentionne les efforts de consultation et de collaboration avec les PT, y compris la réunion des premiers ministres du premier ministre, afin de consulter les premiers ministres, et les lettres envoyées à ces derniers afin de donner plus d'information sur les mesures prises en vertu de la Loi.
 - o On indique qu'un appel des sous-ministres des Affaires intergouvernementales (AIG) avait eu lieu plus tôt pour discuter plus en détail de la LMU
 - o Il est question des efforts déployés pour l'échange de renseignements entre les partenaires FPT et on a présenté un résumé de haut niveau de l'invocation de la Loi le 14 février, en indiquant que la proclamation a été rendue publique hier.
 - o On examine le *Règlement sur les mesures d'urgence* et le Décret sur les mesures économiques d'urgence pris en vertu de la LMU, qui comprend des pouvoirs supplémentaires pour l'application de la loi afin de lutter contre les attroupements publics illégaux, de protéger les infrastructures essentielles et d'obliger la fourniture de biens et de services pour retirer les camions et les barrages.
 - o En ce qui a trait au Règlement sur les mesures d'urgence, on mentionne que la LMU ne servira pas à faire appel aux militaires, à retirer la compétence policière des provinces et des territoires ou à limiter les manifestations et protestations pacifiques.
 - o On précise également que même si les organismes d'application de la loi à l'échelle nationale peuvent invoquer la LMU et le règlement, ce sont les organismes d'application de la loi locaux qui exerceraient ces pouvoirs au besoin pour aider à prévenir et à combattre les manifestations illégales qui menacent la sécurité publique et l'infrastructure essentielle.
 - o La GRC fait remarquer que les nouvelles mesures sont temporaires puisque les dispositions relatives à la LMU sont limitées à une période maximale de 30 jours, à moins d'être rétablies par le gouvernement fédéral, et qu'il est nécessaire de fournir aux organismes d'application de la loi d'un bout à l'autre du pays des outils supplémentaires pour faire face aux attroupements illégaux graves. On confirme une fois de plus que la LMU ne changera pas l'autorité de la police locale, mais fournira plutôt de nouveaux outils pour aider la police à lutter contre les manifestations illégales.
 - o En ce qui a trait au Décret sur les mesures économiques d'urgence, la GRC explique l'application pratique du décret et, encore une fois, les nouveaux outils afin de permettre aux institutions financières et aux organismes d'application de la loi

- o d'échanger de l'information, et aux institutions financières de geler des comptes. Il s'agit d'outils essentiels pour contrer les manifestations illégales.
 - o Le ministère de la Justice indique que la LMU prévoit qu'elle doit être invoquée afin de gérer un état d'urgence et que les décrets connexes doivent être déposés au Parlement dans les sept jours de séance et débattus, ce qui pourrait donner lieu à l'annulation de la proclamation ou à une modification des décrets. Selon l'application de la LMU, une enquête parlementaire doit également être tenue dans les 60 jours suivant la fin de l'urgence.
- Mise à jour de la situation (GRC)
 - o On fait le point sur la situation opérationnelle sur le terrain à Emerson, Coutts et Ottawa.
- * Discussion sur la stratégie en matière d'application de la loi stratégique (dirigée par Transports Canada)
 - o * Marlin Degrand (Alberta) pose une question sur les pouvoirs et la protection des infrastructures. Il donne l'exemple de Coutts et des ressources disponibles. Sécurité publique précise que les nouveaux pouvoirs offrent des façons de désigner des aires protégées.
 - o * Rick Stubbings (Ontario) pose une question sur les mesures financières, en particulier l'application du gel des avoirs. La GRC clarifie le processus et fait remarquer que cela inclut également les cryptomonnaies.
 - o * Lynne Lamarche (Agence des services frontaliers du Canada) présente de l'information sur les points d'entrée à haut risque et la stratégie visant à renforcer les corridors commerciaux internationaux dans ces secteurs, en collaboration étroite avec le service de police local, les autorités provinciales et municipales, ainsi que les propriétaires et exploitants visés à l'article 6.
 - o * Rob Cameron (Saskatchewan) pose une question sur le règlement d'application de la LMU du point de vue de l'application de la loi : s'applique-t-il à tous les agents de la paix (shérifs, policiers patrouilleurs d'autoroutes et gardes de parc, etc.)? La GRC répond que son unité des services juridiques étudie cette question et qu'elle y répondra bientôt.
 - o * Andrew Easton (Nouveau-Brunswick) pose une question sur le pouvoir d'enquêter sur les questions de sécurité nationale. Loretta Colton répond que la GRC est responsable, mais qu'elle travaille avec les services de police locaux et que les paragraphes 6(1) et (2) demeurent en vigueur.
 - o * Glen Lewis (Colombie-Britannique) demande si les bureaux de circonscription sont protégés en vertu du *Règlement sur les mesures d'urgence* ou s'ils sont considérés comme des bâtiments gouvernementaux et inclus dans la définition d'infrastructures essentielles. Sécurité publique répond que le règlement couvre l'acte d'attroupement illégal en soi, quel que soit le lieu, où l'application de la loi pourrait prendre des mesures pour prévenir et réagir, de sorte qu'il pourrait ne pas être nécessaire de désigner spécifiquement ces lieux. La désignation d'un lieu en vertu de l'alinéa 6f) pourrait être la désignation d'un lieu donné où l'on s'attend à ce qu'il y ait un attroupement illégal. Le ministre de la Sécurité publique pourrait désigner un lieu en vertu de l'alinéa 6f) afin d'appuyer les efforts déployés par tout service de police local, au besoin. Le ministère de la Justice fait remarquer qu'il ne croit pas qu'un bureau de circonscription serait inclus dans la définition d'« édifice gouvernemental », et Sécurité publique indique qu'il sera ravi de donner suite séparément à cette demande.
 - o * Aaron McCrorie (Transports Canada) fait remarquer que la stratégie en matière d'application de la loi stratégique comporte maintenant de nouveaux outils en vertu de la LMU. Il insiste sur l'importance d'utiliser cette situation comme un moyen de dissuader les futurs barrages routiers.

- * Rob Cameron (Saskatchewan) demande d'obtenir une copie du décret; le lien de la *Gazette du Canada* est affiché dans le clavardage.
- * Tour de table
 - Louis Morneau (Québec) remercie les intervenants d'avoir donné cette information. Il mentionne toutefois que le Québec est d'avis qu'il dispose actuellement des outils juridiques, de la stratégie de communication et de la capacité dont il a besoin pour faire face à la situation. Le représentant du Québec fait remarquer qu'il y a une bonne coordination à Montréal et à Québec, et qu'elles suivent de près la LMU et sa mise en œuvre.
 - Sécurité publique fait remarquer que ces pouvoirs existent à l'échelle nationale, mais qu'ils ne doivent être utilisés que si les PT estiment qu'ils en ont besoin. On rappelle aux participants que la Loi ne donne pas carte blanche pour arrêter toute manifestation; les gens ont toujours le droit légal de manifester pacifiquement.
 - Rick Stubbings (Ontario) indique que le gouvernement du Canada peut communiquer avec la province de l'Ontario s'il a besoin de quoi que ce soit sujet de la LMU et de ses décrets. On mentionne que l'absence de questions à ce stade ne veut pas dire que tous comprennent parfaitement l'information donnée et on suggère de réunir à nouveau le groupe la semaine prochaine.

MESURES DE SUIVI

- Sécurité publique réunira de nouveau un petit groupe du CPCP au début de la semaine prochaine pour poursuivre les discussions.
- Les fonctionnaires fédéraux feront rapidement un suivi sur les questions demeurées sans réponse pendant la réunion et présenteront les réponses à tous à la prochaine réunion.
- Sécurité publique s'engage à rédiger un compte-rendu des discussions bilingue et à le remettre au groupe.

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Yup. Good idea. Solicitor-Client Priv. [REDACTED] Davida could send it to you.

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H Talal, we can make these changes, Solicitor-Client Priv. [REDACTED]
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I am probably too late here, but a few edits below for your consideration if not too late. Nothing earthshattering.

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Please let me know if you have any comments, changes, or additions by end of day.

The official readout will be bilingual and will include a list of participants.

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